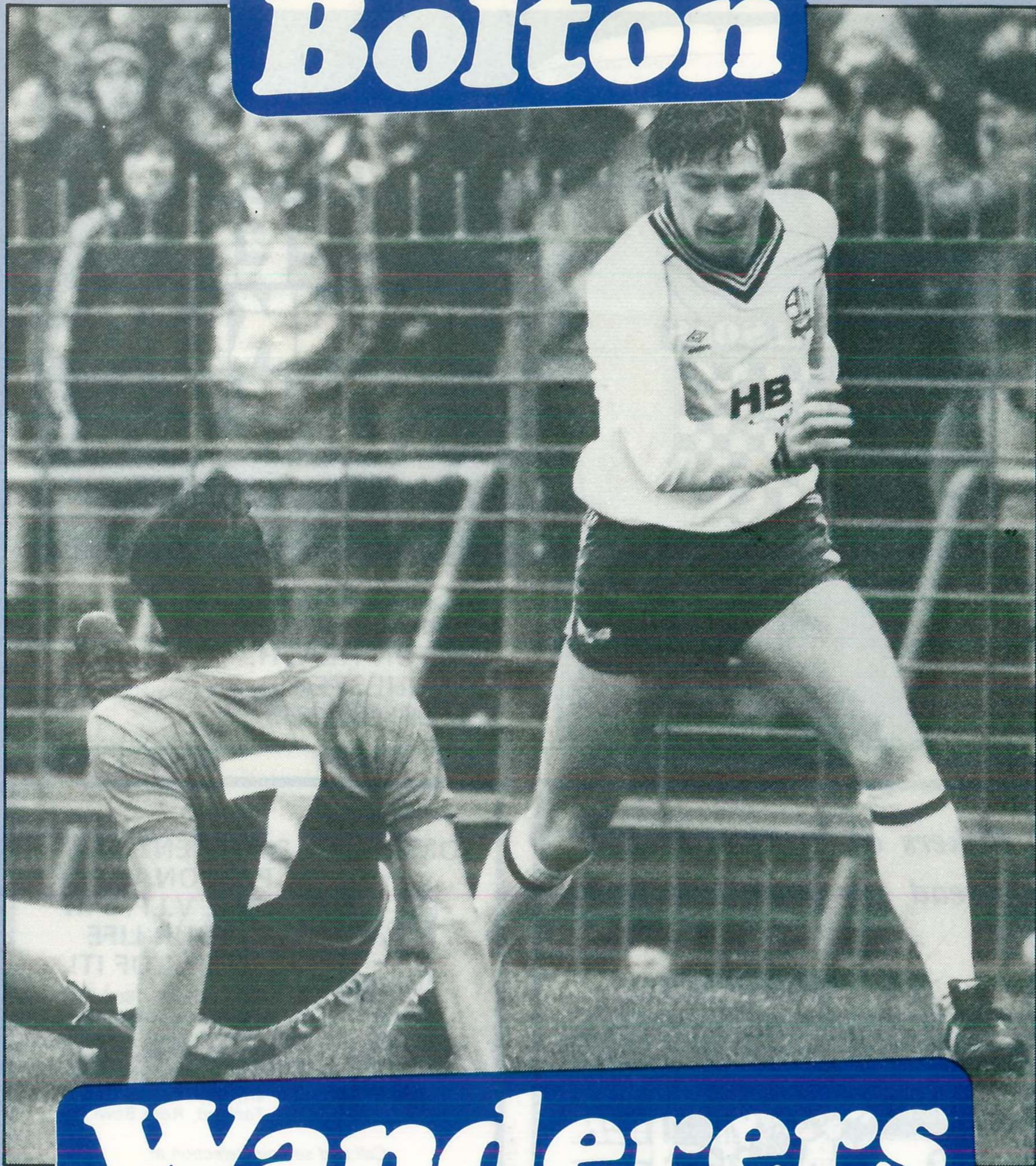


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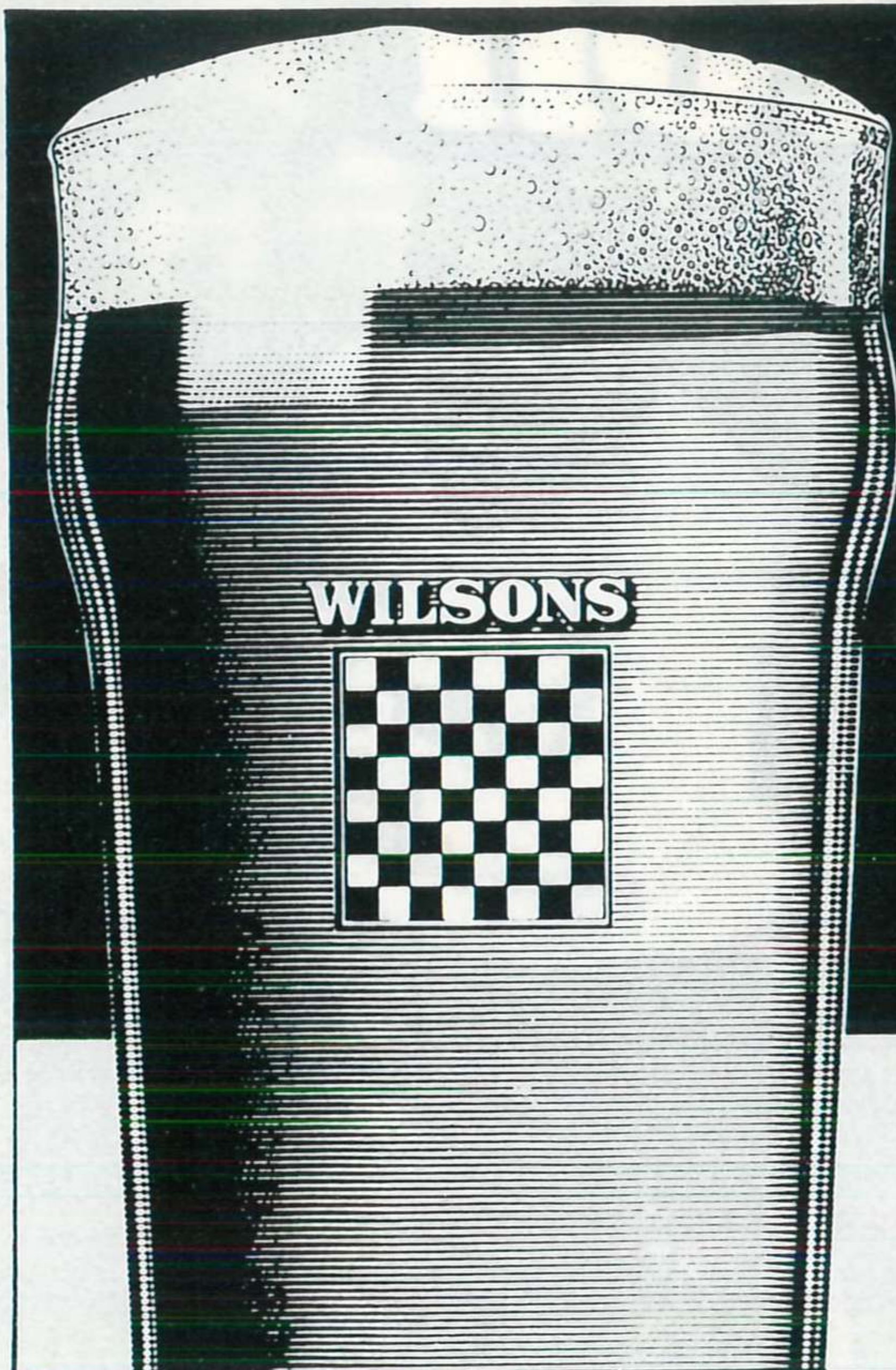
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Charlie Wright

We certainly gave ourselves problems in our Freight Rover Trophy tie against Crewe here on Tuesday night when we had to recover from the shock of going a goal down so quickly.

I thought we did well to come back into it as convincingly as we did, particularly in the first half when we not only scored two very good goals but might also have added one or two more.

Unfortunately the conditions in the second half made it difficult for both sides and, in fact, gave the referee a problem in deciding which colour ball to use!

There is no question about it — we will have to respect Crewe in the return leg a week on Tuesday. They are a competent, well-organised side who I knew all along would make it difficult for us.

We can't afford to give them a goal start in the way we did this week.

As it happens we have the goal start and that

will obviously be to our advantage. Now it is up to us to play to our potential and earn ourselves a place in the second round.

Respect is something we must have for Rotherham, our opponents today.

We welcome the players, officials and supporters from Millmoor and look forward to an entertaining afternoon of football.

From our own point of view it is important that we make amends for the poor performance we turned in at Rotherham earlier in the season.

But we know that the Millers, who have done well since then, will make it very difficult for us. I know from experience that any team under the guidance of George Kerr will be a strong, determined bunch of lads so I'm looking forward to a good test for our players.

I hope you enjoy the game.

FRONT COVER: Jeff Chandler in action earlier this season.



● Brian Borrows fires in a shot during the scoreless draw against Orient on New Year's Day.



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ROTHERHAM UNITED

ROTHERHAM MAINTAIN PROMOTION PRESSURE

by Tony Pullein

Rotherham United spent most of last season struggling against relegation but this term they have looked a vastly improved side, keeping pressure upon the promotion chasers throughout the campaign. The Millers now have an excellent chance of regaining the Second Division place they lost two seasons ago.

Away form has been impressive, with League victories being gained at Preston (3-0), Bristol City (1-0), Doncaster (1-0), Walsall (2-0), Newport (2-0) and Cambridge (2-0).

They drew at Hull City (0-0) but were defeated at Reading (0-1), Bournemouth (0-3), Plymouth (0-1), Gillingham (1-2) and Swansea (0-1).

Rotherham enjoyed a useful run in the Milk Cup, beating Darlington 2-1 away and 4-0 at home. They then scored a splendid away win over First Division Stoke City (2-1) and, after drawing their home leg 1-1, qualified for a third round clash with Grimsby Town.

The Millers were held to a 0-0 draw at Millmoor but crashed 1-6 in the replay.

They took an early exit from the F.A. Cup at Mansfield (1-2).

Manager George Kerr is now free to concentrate all his efforts upon their promotion challenge in the hope that the Millers will this season reclaim the Second Division status they lost in 1983.

Rotherham's fortunes have fluctuated a great deal in recent times. They were relegated to the Fourth Division in 1973 because of inferior goal-average to three other clubs level on points. They reclaimed their Third Division place in 1975 and two years later they were denied one of the top three places in Division Three on goal-average.

They narrowly missed relegation again in 1978 but in 1981 they were Third Division champions. That spell of Second Division play lasted for only two seasons.

The Rotherham club was formed as Thornhill United in 1884 and took only nine years to gain election to the Second Division of the Football League.

Rotherham's first taste of League football lasted only three years for they were voted out of the competition in 1896. But they were restored to the Second Division in 1919. Four years later they were relegated to the Third Division (North) where they remained until 1951.

Rotherham suffered appalling luck before ultimately gaining promotion in 1951. In 1946/47 they totalled 64 points yet failed to win promotion! It was their misfortune to find Doncaster in such scintillating form that season and, in the days where only one club went

up, Rotherham had to be satisfied with runners-up spot.

Rotherham won their opening 20 home League games that season but their hopes of achieving a 100 per cent record were smashed when they were held to 3-3 by Rochdale in the final game of the season.

The following season Rotherham scored 59 points — one short of Lincoln's tally — and in 1948/49 they finished runners-up for the third season in succession. They lost a lot of heart after that but in 1951 they achieved their reward when topping the table with 71 points.

It looked as if the Millers would go into the First Division in 1955. When the final tables were calculated Birmingham, Luton and Rotherham all had 54 points but — in the days of two-up — they were forced into third place on goal-average.

Their long reign in Second Division football continued until 1968.

Rotherham created a piece of League Cup history long before the competition was known as the Milk Cup. The Millers, in fact, played in the very first League Cup final in 1961. In those days the final was played on a home-and-away basis and they set themselves up to collect the trophy when winning their home leg by 2-0 against Aston Villa. But Villa won the return 3-0 to take the cup on aggregate score.

BOB MIMMS (Goalkeeper). Bob started his career with Halifax Town but didn't get a chance to play in their first-team. He made his League debut after joining Rotherham in 1981 and has now earned himself a regular place in the team.

GERRY FORREST (Defender). Gerry has been a fixture in the side since his debut in 1977 and he chalked up his 300th League appearance for the club earlier this season.

NIGEL JOHNSON (Defender). Nigel is a former Rotherham apprentice who was introduced to the side two seasons ago and who won himself a regular place last season.

PHIL CROSBY (Defender). Phil is a former England youth international who grew up with Grimsby. He was introduced to their League team in 1979/80 and signed for Rotherham in 1983.

BOBBY MITCHELL (Defender). Bobby's first professional club was Sunderland but he got only rare opportunities with them. He joined Blackburn in 1976 and spent two years with them before moving to Grimsby. Carlisle signed him during the 1982 close-

season but he was transferred to Rotherham two seasons ago.

MIKE PICKERING (Defender). Mike was signed from Sheffield Wednesday last season. He started his career with Barnsley and, after making 100 League appearance for the Tykes, he was transferred to Southampton for £35,000 in 1977. But he stayed at The Dell for little more than a year before moving on to Sheffield Wednesday.

MIKE TRUSSON (Midfield). Mike grew up with Plymouth Argyle, making his League debut for them in 1977. After some 70 games for Argyle, he was transferred to Sheffield United for £70,000 in 1980 and Rotherham signed him last season.

ALAN BIRCH (Midfield). Walsall gave Alan his chance in League football in 1973 and he made well over 150 appearances for the Saddlers before joining Chesterfield for £40,000 in 1979. After leading their scoring list with 23 goals in 1980/81, he was snapped up by Wolves for £180,000 but, after only a short stay at Molineux, he was signed by Barnsley for £95,000. He returned to Chesterfield at the start of last season and linked with Rotherham shortly before last season's transfer deadline.

MICK GOODING (Midfield). Mick is now in his second spell with Rotherham. He initially joined them from Bishop Auckland and made his League debut for them in 1979. He was sold to Chesterfield two seasons ago but Rotherham re-signed him shortly after the start of last season.

MARK RHODES (Midfield). Mark was given his League baptism by Rotherham in 1975 and has now made well over 250 appearances for the club. When

he lost his place two seasons ago he spent loan periods with Darlington and Mansfield.

KEVIN KILMORE (Forward). Kevin was Rotherham's top scorer with 21 goals last season. He won England youth honours in his Scunthorpe days and, after leading their scoring list with 17 goals in 1978/79, he was transferred to Grimsby for £60,000. Though he scored 16 goals in his first campaign at Blundell Park, he later lost his touch and the move to Millmoor last season gave the challenge he wanted.

JOHN DUNGWORTH (Forward). John, signed from Mansfield last season, began his career with Huddersfield Town. Following a loan spell at Barnsley, he moved on to Oldham in 1975. He later served Rochdale on loan but it was after joining Aldershot in 1977 that he made real headway. John scored 23 goals in his first season for the Shots and in 1978/79 set up a new club record of 34 goals. He moved on to Shrewsbury in 1979 then, after a loan period with Hereford, signed for Mansfield in 1982.

TONY SIMMONS (Forward). Tony gained England youth honours in his Sheffield Wednesday days and Q.P.R. signed him for £50,000 in 1983. He didn't play in Rangers' first-team but, after initially joining Rotherham on loan last season, the full transfer was completed for £50,000. His winning goal against Bournemouth last Saturday was his 11th of the season.

IAN McINNES (Forward). Ian was still an apprentice when he was given his chance in League football against Southend on the opening day of last season. He is now a full professional and has been recalled to the side for recent games.



Back Row: (left to right) Gerry Forrest, John Dungworth, Mike Trusson, Bobby Mimms, Nigel Johnson, Mike Pickering, Phil Crosby.

Middle Row: Barrie Claxton (Assistant Manager), Kevin Kilmore, Tony Simmons, Bobby Mitchell, Terry Donovan, Phil Walker (no longer with club), Andy O'Dell, Phil Henson (Youth Team Manager).

Front Row: Alan Birch, Mark Rhodes, Ian McInnes, George Kerr (Manager), Willie Raynes, John Durham, Mick Gooding.

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Club News

The Wanderers face Rotherham United today for the 20th time in the football league with the Yorkshiremen having a clear advantage of 8 victories to 4.

Whilst our paths crossed several times in the late 1800's for friendly games with Rotherham Town, who amalgamated with United in 1925, our first league meeting didn't take place until October 1964. A crowd of just over 14000 saw goals from Wanderers Gordon Taylor and Francis Lee, with a penalty, win the point here at Burnden in a second division fixture.

The first league encounter at Millmoor took place the following April when the only scoreless league game to date between the sides resulted.

Season 1965/66 saw United complete the double by 2-1 at Millmoor and 3-1 here, this is something the Wanderers have yet to do over the Millers. This was in fact the only time that either side had scored three goals in a league game against each other until this seasons game at Millmoor.

A Gordon Taylor goal in August 1966 was enough to earn Bolton their only win at Millmoor to date although United took a point on their visit here in a 2-2 draw. Rotherham then became something of a bogey "side" to the Wanderers, losing only once in the next 10 games between the clubs. United took three points from a draw and a win in season 1967/68 and also from our first ever third division games in 1971/72.

Roger Hunt played his last league game for the Wanderers in a 2-2 draw against Rotherham at Burnden in April 1972 whilst 3 days later the sides faced each other again this time United winning 2-0.

Boltons only victory during this spell came the following season in bizarre circumstances. Rotherham keeper Jim McDonagh, later to join the Wanderers, believing the ball was out of play, placed the ball for a goal kick and up stepped Garry Jones to shoot home and register a 2-1 win.

Back in the second division in 1981/82 United once again completed the double. Two goals in two minutes were enough to win the game at Millmoor although the first was hotly disputed. A John Green header after 10 minutes was allowed by the referee with the Wanderers claiming the ball hadn't crossed the line. Phil Henson grabbed a second after a mistake by Paul Jones and it was left to Boltons transfer listed keeper Dennis Peacock to keep the score down by saving a second half penalty.

A John Seasman goal after 15 minutes won the game for United at Burnden to register their sixth win in a row and end Boltons unbeaten run of 8 games.

Season 1982/83 saw both sides relegated and both games end in draws but the Wanderers at last recorded a victory over United and prevented them from finding the net against us for the first time since 1966 with a 2-0 win in September 1983. Tony Caldwell and Neil Redfearn were on the mark with first half goals although Rotherham improved tremendously in the second half and were unlucky not to snatch a point.

The two teams for that game were Bolton: Farnworth, Borrows, Deakin, Joyce, McElhinney, Valentine, Thompson, Chandler, Rudge, Caldwell, Redfearn. Rotherham: Stevenson, Forrest, Crosby, O'Dell, Johnson, McEwan, Rhodes, Kilmore, Donovan, Mitchell, Gooding, Sub Seasman for O'Dell.

Last seasons game at Millmoor ended in a 1-1 draw in a game full of drama. Wanderers keeper Simon Farnworth was stretchered off after only 6 minutes having damaged ankle ligaments and forward Wayne Foster went into goal. Mike Trusson put United one up after 20 minutes but the Wanderers

clawed their way back and equalised in the 38th minute through substitute Simon Rudge.

Earlier this season United ran out 3-1 winners at Millmoor registering their first win and first league goals of the season in the process. John Dungworth with a couple and Mick Gooding were on the mark for United whilst George Oghani grabbed his first league goal for the Wanderers.

We have been drawn together twice in the League Cup with Rotherham winning both ties in 1960/61 and 1969/70 after two replays.

Our league record against Rotherham is as follows:—

	PL	W	D	L	F	A
Home	9	3	3	3	13	13
Away	10	1	4	5	7	14
Total	19	4	7	8	20	27

Down Memory Lane

15 years ago 17th January 1970. An unchanged Bolton side faced second division leaders Huddersfield Town at Burnden and extended their unbeaten run to six league games without defeat with a 1-1 draw. Jim McGill had given Town the lead 2 minutes before half time but John Byrom equalised for Bolton in the 62nd minute with his 100th first class goal. In the Huddersfield side were two players later to join Bolton, keeper Terry Poole and the flamboyant Frank Worthington.

The same day the reserves lost 2-0 at Old Trafford to Manchester United with a player destined to be Worthingtons striking partner at Burnden, Alan Gowling, scoring both goals.

24th January 1970. With the Wanderers out of the FA Cup they travelled to Halifax Town for a friendly game. Former Bolton player Freddie Hill, then with Halifax missed the game due to injury and the Wanderers ran out 2-0 winners with goals from Gordon Taylor and Roy Greaves.

10 years ago 18th January 1975. The Wanderers registered their biggest win of the season by 5-1 over Bristol Rovers at Burnden. John Byrom opened the scoring after 24 minutes with Boltons first goal of the year. Stuart Lee snatched a second although Byrom claimed it was his before Bruce Bannister pulled one back for Rovers. The Wanderers romped home with further goals from Byrom, Lee and Hugh Curran.

24th January 1975. The Wanderers faced third division leaders Blackburn Rovers in the friendly at Burnde Park winning 3-1 in a game that was anything but friendly. Both sides treated the game as if it were a cup tie as the Wanderers scored through Hugh Curran, Stuart Lee and John Ritson with Barry Endean netting for Rovers.

5 years ago 26th January 1980. Bolton defeated 4th division Halifax Town by 2-0 at Burnden in the 4th round of the FA Cup. Goals from Roy Greaves and Neil Whatmore were just enough to edge out a plucky Halifax side that were in it until Boltons second goal minutes from the end.

Neil McNab played his last game for the club and 2 days later Manager Ian Greaves was sacked. Immediately such names as Jimmy Armfield, George Mulhall and Bob Smith were being talked about but the board put Stan Anderson in charge as caretaker-manager.

Junior Whites News

Today's mascot is James Carter of Walton Drive, Marple, Stockport. James is 7 years old and attends Dale Primary School although he is yet too young to play for the school team. His favourite player is George Oghani.

Don't forget the next meeting will take place in the Executive club here at Burnden on the 11th February commencing at 6.30 p.m.



3000th today?

Boltons next league goal at home will be the clubs 3000th to be scored in the football league on Burnden Park. Whilst the Wanderers have scored 3242 overall to date on home territory 243 of these were scored at the clubs former ground at Pikes Lane.

The first game played at Burnden was against Preston North End but the first league visitors were Everton on 14th September 1895 who were beaten 3-1 with goals from Martin, Cassidy and Joyce.

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In Reserve

The Wanderers Central league side have suffered the fate of many clubs over the past few weeks with games being postponed and at the time of writing have not played since before Christmas. However last Saturday here at Burnden the Wanderers 'A' team were scheduled to play Marine Reserves in a Lancashire League game, but the first team, also suffering because of the weather, took to the field.

The pitch was in beautiful condition thanks to the undersoil heating but it was the Wanderers who kept the small crowd warm with a tremendous 10-0 win.

Obviously Bolton were expected to win but the goals were a combination of defensive errors individual efforts and spectacular goals that could have been scored against any side.

George Oghani helped himself to a hat-trick, whilst Jeff Chandler grabbed two, his first from the penalty spot after Tony Caldwell had been tripped and his second a delightful chip from just inside the penalty area.

Tony Caldwell also found the net twice his second being a brilliant shot on the turn whilst the other goals came from Ray Deakin with a spectacular overhead kick, Steve Thompson and substitute Wayne Foster.

Team: Farnworth, Borrows, Phillips, Joyce, Came, Deakin, Thompson, Chandler, Oghani, Caldwell, Bell. Subs: Foster, Rudge.



Mark Came — now established in the first team.

WHAT A DIFFERENCE

WHAT a difference a year makes. No one knows that better than Aston Villa midfielder Gordon Cowans.

At the end of the 1982-83 season, the world was literally Gordon's oyster. The lad from Durham had worked his way up through the ranks at Villa Park from apprentice to England international. He had helped Villa win their first Championship title for 71 years and followed that up with a winners medal in the European Cup.

Those were balmy days, when being a Villa player boosted the old ego, and made them feel ten-feet tall. Success tends to breed success and with his contract terminating in the summer of 1983, Gordon looked set to follow his England team-mate Trevor Francis to Italy.

He flew out for talks with Lira laden Naples, who were reported to have offered him a two-year deal worth between £150,000 and £200,000, but negotiations broke down.

In the end he settled for signing for Villa again and got down to preparing for the new season after signing a three-year contract.

Villa's pre-season programme included a four club tournament in Zaragoza, but the sun did not shine kindly on the fragile looking play-maker and six minutes from the end of the game against Mexican champions FC America tragedy struck.

Contesting a ball in midfield, he was caught by a fearful tackle by Mexican international Andreas Manso who flew in studs flying to shatter Gordon's leg in two places.

Villa's manager at the time was Tony Barton who recalls: "The leg was completely shattered just below the knee. When I got onto the pitch

it was twisted round and hanging limp. It seemed to me that only the sock was holding it on."

X-rays disclosed a jagged black line indicating one break with the other bone snapped completely in two... The horrific reality was that Gordon might never play again.

"I was playing the best football of my life before that injury," reflects Gordon. "I had won a place in the England side and was looking forward to helping them qualify for the European Championship finals."

"I have no doubt that Manso came in to get me although I don't believe he was looking to break my leg."

"I had gone in to win the ball with a block tackle. In the last split-second I saw his studs right up above the ball and they went through my shin-pad."

Cut down in his prime, Gordon battled through the pain barriers last year in his lonely vigil to regain fitness and play for Aston Villa again. The sweat, blood and tears seemed all worthwhile when come the beginning of this season he was back in his familiar No. 10 shirt.

However, it has not been that easy, and Gordon has struggled to recapture the form which escalated him into international status. He says: "For the first time in six years I realise that I am now playing for my place."

Manager Graham Turner knows that Gordon is "a class player" but says "he still has something to prove."

Perhaps it will take another year before we see the graceful best of this delicate technician who is not only anxious to re-establish himself in the Villa midfield but in the England squad as well.

"I never played for England the way I did for Villa," says Gordon, "and my ambition was always to achieve that level of performance in an England shirt. After being out of the game for a year that is going to be hard to do."

It took great courage for Gordon to fight back the way he has, the sort of courage and determination that could just help him to achieve that dream for class always tells in the end!

A YEAR MAKES

A HEADACHE

Could it be that association football will one day carry a Government health warning? According to Vojin Smodlaka, the professor for rehabilitation medicine at the State University of New York College of Medicine, in Brooklyn, heading a ball can have serious repercussions.

Great concern has been shown recently about the long term effects of brain damage to boxers and in order to appease the anti-boxing lobbyists some title fights have now been reduced from 15 rounds to 12 rounds.

The reason for this is that chronic brain damage is the result of multiple blows to the head. It is the cumulative effect of repeated mild head traumas rather than knockouts that causes permanent brain damage.

The whole thing is dose-related: The more impacts the more symptoms.

Professor Smodlaka's studies have shown that professional football players head the ball on average five times a game, which he estimates adds up to something like 5,250 impacts to the head over a 15-year career.

The impact to the players head might be as high as 200kp and as previous experiments have shown, a football can be travelling at anything between 40 and 80 miles an hour when contact is made.

British footballers are probably at higher risk than those abroad as heading has always been considered an integral part of the English game. A census was done to count the number of headers during a game, the exercise covering ten games in the Norwegian First Division, six Canon League games and four international matches featuring Norway.

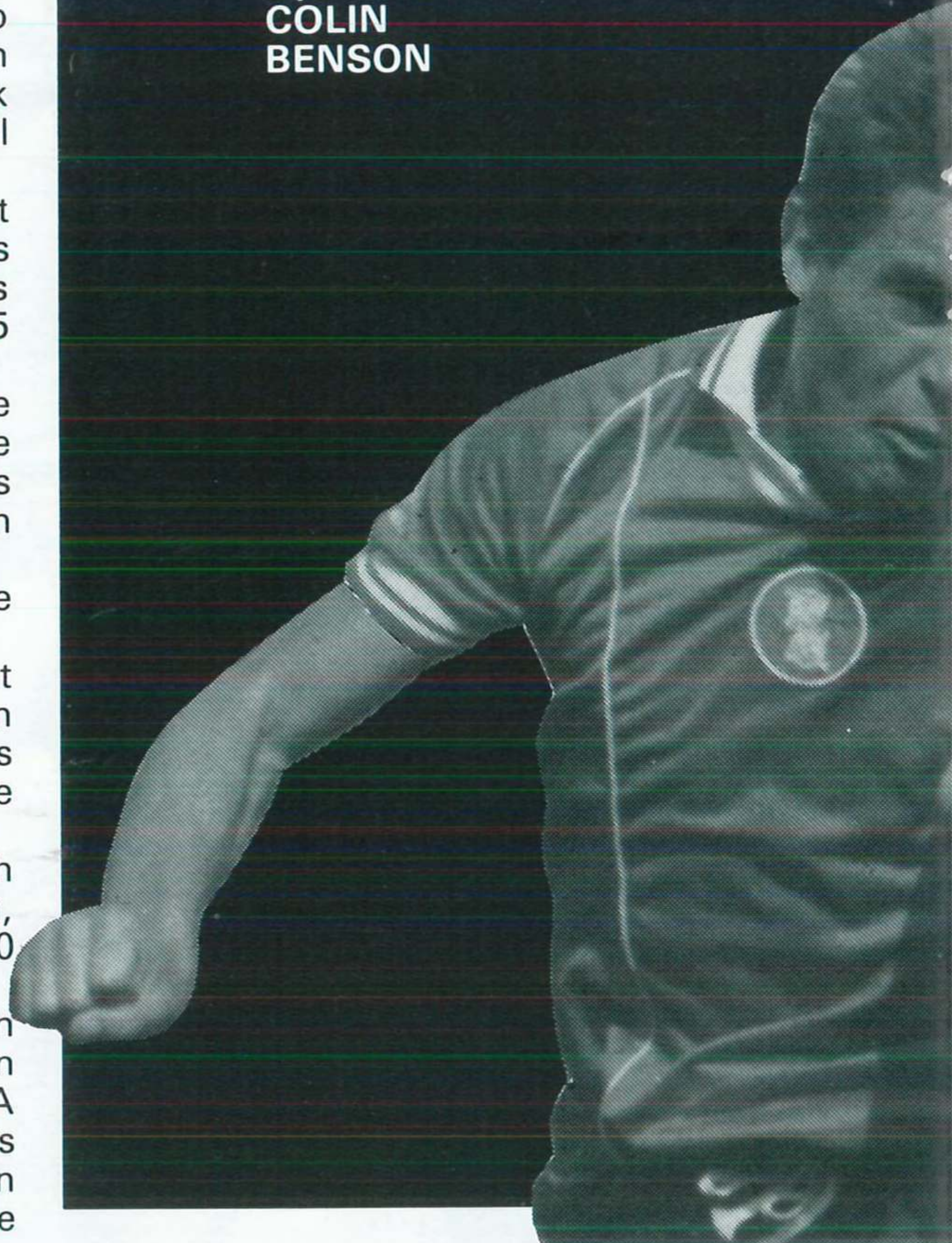
The results showed that the average number of headers made in a Canon League game were 124, as against 117 in the Norwegian league and 94 in Norway's international matches.

It was on the basis of this data that the average figure of five headers per man was estimated although in practice that assumption is rather far off the mark, particularly when related to the English game.

Central defenders and attackers obviously make more contacts with their heads than the other players on the field so it would seem that they are very much more in the risk area than some wingers and midfield players who hardly ever become involved in aerial combat.

Science shows us that the impact of heading a football causes a significant blow to the head. A big defender can launch himself to nod away a projectile weighing 14-16 ounces, with a pressure of 15lbs, some 27 to 28 inches in circumference

By
**COLIN
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Oldham Athletic's Mark Ward (right)
Note the use of arms and elbows

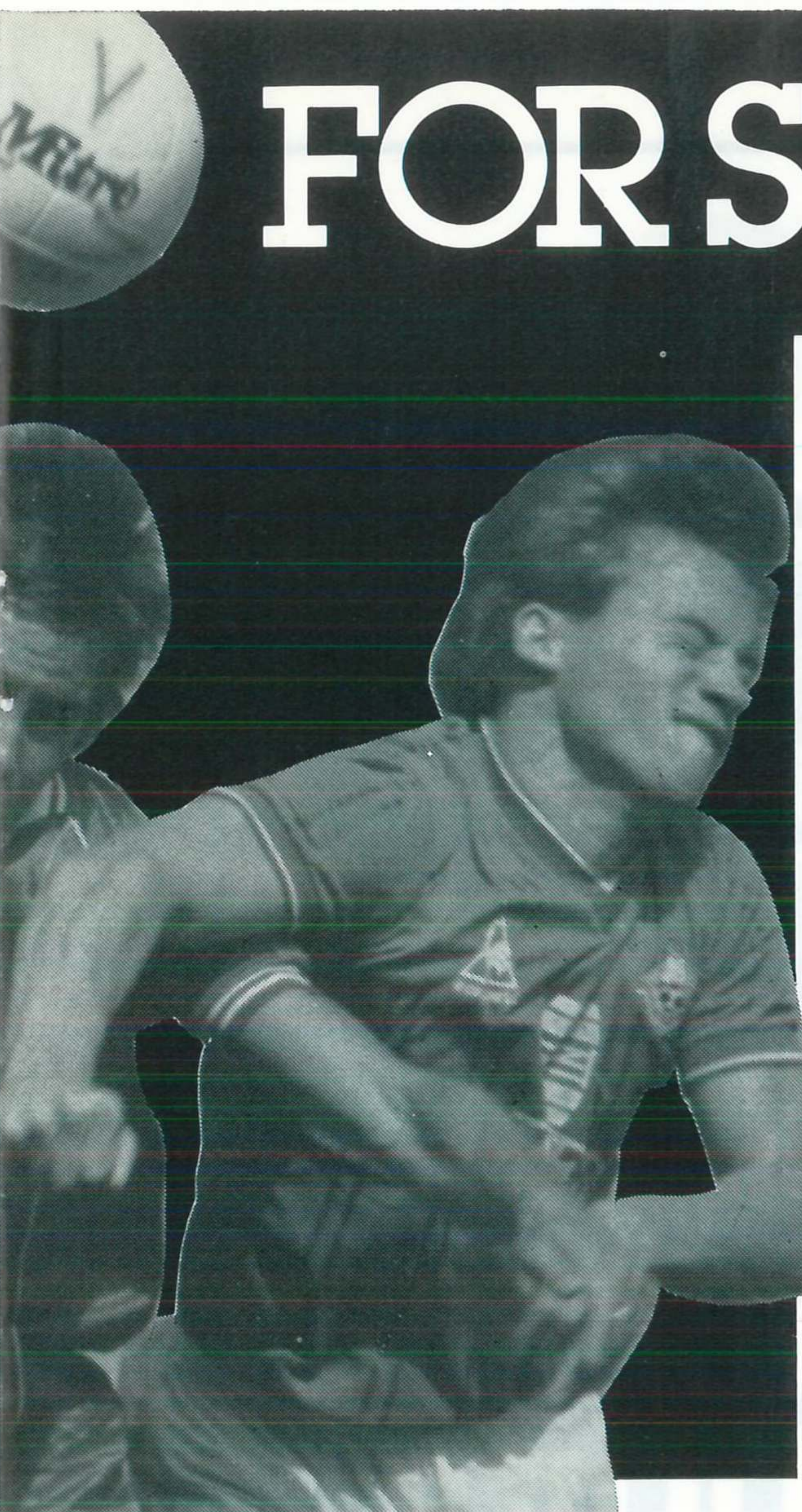
and coming at him with a velocity of some 80 miles an hour! There must be some reaction.

Using a high speed film camera it has been calculated that a ball kicked with half power from 10 metres travels 22.8 metres per second, or just over 50 miles per hour, and hits the head with an impact of 116kp.

The technique of heading is also very important. In the tests taken the actual head contact with the ball lasted from $\frac{1}{3}$ to 1 second. When contact was prolonged, as it is with the correct technique, the impact on the head was reduced.

This is a point that every schoolteacher in the country who is involved with schoolboy football should note. It is essential that youngsters are taught the art of heading before they are thrown in

FOR SOCCER



ght) loses out to Pat Van Der Hauwe in this challenge.
s as both players jostle for position.

to compete on the field.

To get the professional reaction to Professor Smodlaka's claims I turned to Ken Brown, the former England centre-half, who earned a reputation for his commanding play in the air at the heart of the West Ham United defence between 1952 and 1967.

"You have got to be mad to be a manager," says the Norwich City boss with a twinkle in his eye, "so maybe it did have an effect on me.

"Seriously though, In my day the balls had laces in them and if you didn't head them right you got concussion. But I never suffered any ill effect and I headed the ball more than I kicked it.

"I'm 50 now and my shins give me more trouble than anything. There is no problem, the plastic

covered balls they play with these days don't do them any harm."

Ken Brown does not then complain of headaches — except when the Canaries lose of course — pains in the neck, dizziness, irritability, insomnia, hearing disturbances, or a weakened memory. Neither does he suffer abnormal alcohol reactions, which are all, according to Professor Smodlaka, related symptoms of brain damage.

The report has received scant recognition in this country. "Tell that to Tommy Lawton," is the typical response, accompanied by a wry smile. And from my own experiences as a player I must confess that I suffered little injury from actually heading the ball. The biggest danger came from other players heads or elbows making contact with mine rather than the ball.

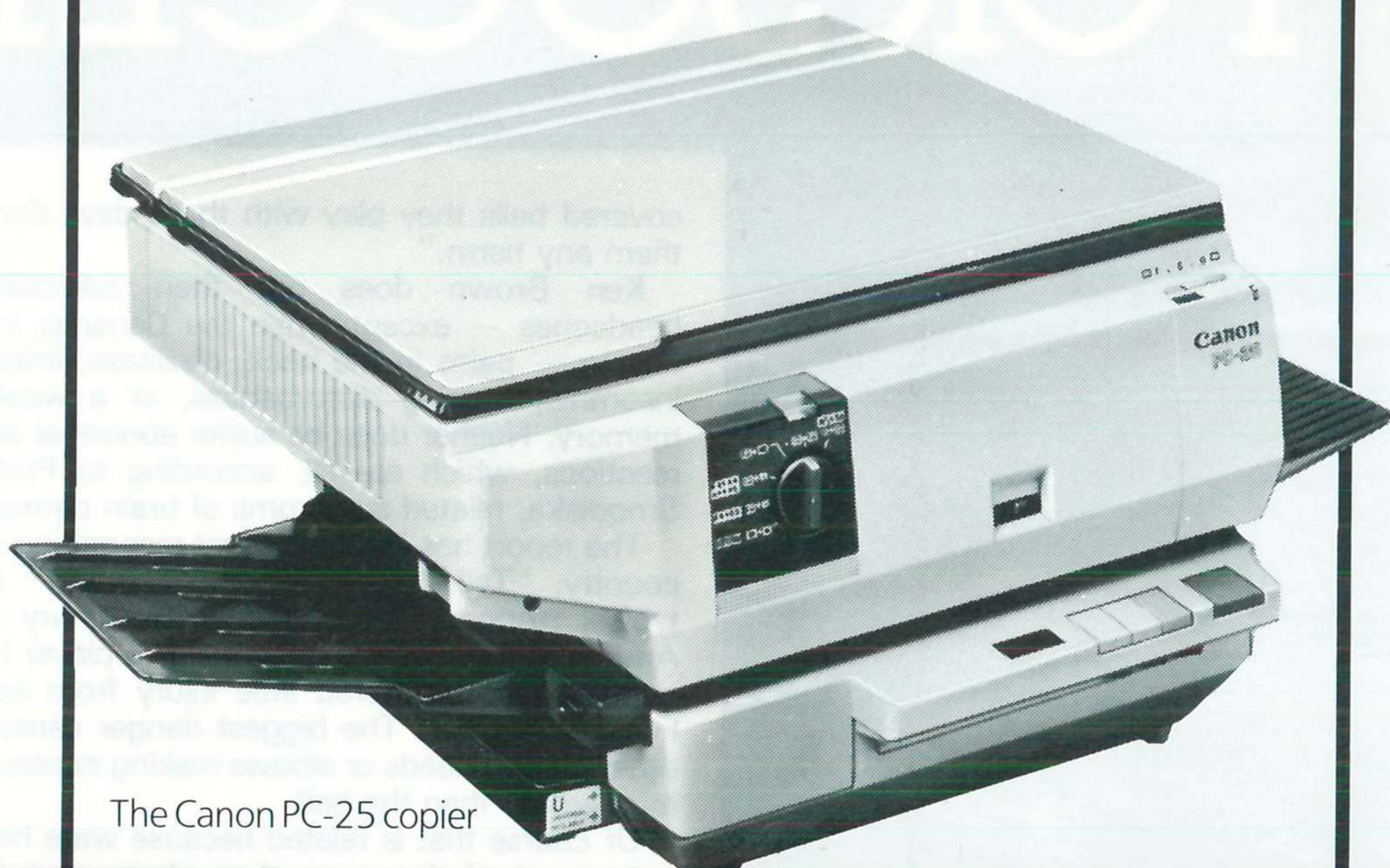
Of course that is related because were heading not an art of the game then players would not compete for it in the air. Thus the remedy would be to ban heading from the game.

That certainly wouldn't be acceptable. Meanwhile Professor Smodlaka, who is on the FIFA Honorary Panel for Medical Matters, has submitted his report to the games governing body concluding: "The sports medicine community has not devoted enough attention to the important problem of possible brain damage."

He says: "When an athlete is knocked down and is unconscious for several seconds during a competition, in many cases he or she will be allowed to immediately continue the game — but if an athlete sustains a sprain or strain, he or she will stop. The sports community must take brain concussions more seriously."



Ken Brown flings himself to head clear for West Ham United during a league match at Upton Park in 1962.



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Star Profile

A look back at some of the Wanderers past players

SCORES of soccer fans speculated over the origin of the amazing heading talents of WYN DAVIES, Wanderers centre-forward of the Sixties who was known affectionately as "Wyn the Leap".

Several theories were put forward with the most persistent being that Wyn received hours of special coaching from Nat Lofthouse.

But the fact is that, like Nat, Wyn's devastating aerial qualities were purely natural. They were qualities that made the Welshman a big favourite with Burnden fans in his four years with the Wanderers and today we salute WYN DAVIES as another of YESTERDAY'S HEROES.

WHEN Wyn Davies joined Bolton Wanderers from Wrexham for a £20,000 transfer fee in March 1962 he was a naive young Welshman who couldn't speak English!

Initially he was the butt of jokes and Mickey-taking from his new team mates. But when he left for Newcastle United in October 1966 his value had risen to £70,000, he was one of the hottest centre-forward properties in the game and he was nobody's fool — in fact Wyn was the one taking the Mickey out of every centre half he played against!

Davies made 155 League appearances for the Wanderers, scoring 66 goals in addition to eight goals in 16 Cup games, better than a goal every three games and no mean average at any level.

Yet it was the manner in which he scored the goals rather than their number that captured the imagination of the fans. The man who had such a modest and unassuming manner off the field was absolutely lethal in the air with most of his goals coming from headers.

It was a gift which many other clubs envied and it was no surprise that for most of his days at Burnden that Wyn Davies was the subject of transfer speculation.

He was linked with almost every First Division club at one time or another. In the end, his career which spanned 17 years took him from Wrexham to Bolton, then on to Newcastle before spells at Manchester City and United, Blackpool, Crystal Palace, Stockport and Crewe.

He won major honours with Newcastle where he helped the Magpies in their 1969 Fairs Cup triumph.

But Bolton fans will tell you it was his spell at Burnden that fashioned his career.

As mentioned before Wyn couldn't speak English when he arrived in a deal which took Ernie Phythian to Wrexham in exchange. But the goals did the talking.

He was signed by manager Bill Ridding, who fought off fierce competition from Sheffield Wednesday and Arsenal, and made his debut for Wanderers at Wolves in the First Division two days later.

Eighteen months later, his remarkable abilities could no longer be ignored by the Welsh authorities and he made his international debut against England at Ninian Park, Cardiff in place of the injured John Charles.

In all he played in 34 internationals — 16 as a Wanderers player.

Like Nat Lofthouse before him Wyn's attacking qualities made him an idol of the terrace fans at Burnden Park. He joined the club as a player of promise and left an accomplished international.

And it says a lot for his feeling for the town that Wyn is still around having enjoyed many years playing for local non-league clubs and on the charity match circuit.



● Trio of team-mates. — Davies talks things over with Eddie Hopkinson, Roy Hartle and Francis Lee.

● "Wyn the Leap" — Davies in typical pose.

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A new sponsorship deal was announced this week to mark the beginning of our campaign in the Freight Rover Trophy.

Local Freight Rover dealers Lex Mead presented the club with a 15 seater Sherpa minibus for our use for the rest of the season. By that time we hope to have one of our own, of course, by reaching the final of the competition. One of the vehicles — worth around £10,000 — will go to each of the finalists who will also take the major share of the £30,000 prize money on offer.

Celebrating the new deal and pictured from left to right are Alf Davies, Wanderers' commercial manager, chairman Neal Riley, chief coach Charlie Wright and Paul Reynolds and Dennis Warburton, general manager and sales manager, respectively, of Lex Mead.

At the wheel of the bus is Walter Joyce with his Youth team players all set for the off.



SHEDDING THE POUNDS

All those extra pounds lumped on over the Christmas celebrations were just the challenge that members of the Burnden men's slimming club needed.

The 18 men lost a total of 36 stones in the nine weeks building up to the Christmas holidays — equivalent to the combined weights of Charlie Wright, Paul Booth and former Wanderers favourite Gerry McElhinney (pictured here with the happy slimmers).

And the weight is still dropping off as they continue to attend the Men Only Slimming Club which meets every Monday here at Burnden in the sponsors lounge. The course is run by Pat Gorman, a nursing sister who concentrates on encouraging the men to adopt a sensible eating plan.

Anyone interested in attending the sessions should attend at 7.15 on Mondays or contact Pat Gorman on Turton 852572.

Facts

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Date Opponents

Aug. 25	Bristol Rovers	0-1	4,469	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Berry	Deakin	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Joyce
28	Oldham Athletic (MC1 1L)	2-1	3,286	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Berry	Deakin	Thompson	Chandler ¹ p	Oghani	Caldwell ¹	Bell	Rudge
Sept. 1	Derby County	2-3	11,478	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Berry	Lodge	Chandler ¹ p	Oghani	Caldwell ¹	Bell	Deakin
4	Oldham Athletic (MC1 2L)	4-4	4,010	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Berry	Lodge	Chandler ¹	Oghani ²	Caldwell	Bell ¹	Rudge
8	Hull City	0-0	5,403	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Lodge ⁺	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Foster
15	Rotherham United	1-3	3,926	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Lodge ⁺	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Rudge
18	Swansea City	1-2	3,636	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Rudge	Oghani	Foster	Phillips	Came
22	Plymouth Argyle	7-2	3,876	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce ¹	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler ² (¹ p)	Oghani	Caldwell ³	Bell	Rudge
25	Shrewsbury Town (MC2 1L)	2-2	3,720	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler ¹ +	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Came
29	Doncaster Rovers	0-2	4,850	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson ⁺	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Came
Oct. 2	Walsall	3-1	4,445	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson ¹	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell ¹	Bell	Rudge
6	Reading	1-3	3,253	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler ¹	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Came
9	Shrewsbury Town (MC2 2L)	2-1	5,445	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson ¹	Chandler ¹	Oghani	Caldwell ⁺	Bell	Foster
13	A.F.C. Bournemouth	2-1	4,651	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Berry	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler ¹ p	Oghani	Foster ¹	Bell	Rudge
20	Preston North End	4-0	5,691	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Berry	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler ¹	Oghani ³	Foster ¹	Bell	Rudge
23	Bristol City	2-3	7,715	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Berry	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani ²	Foster ¹	Bell	Deakin
27	Burnley	2-3	6,460	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Berry	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Foster ¹	Bell	Walker
30	Notts County (MC3)	1-6	4,547	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Came	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Foster ¹	Bell	Deakin
Nov. 3	Lincoln City	1-0	4,019	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Came	Deakin	Thompson ¹	Chandler ⁺	Oghani	Foster	Bell	McElhinney
6	York City	2-1	4,672	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Came	Deakin	Thompson ¹	Rudge	Oghani ¹ p	Foster	Bell	McElhinney
10	Newport County	2-3	2,073	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Came	Deakin	Thompson ¹	Rudge	Oghani	Foster ¹	Bell ⁺	Valentine
17	Hull City (FAC1)	1-2	6,424	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Came	Deakin	Thompson	Rudge	Oghani	Foster ¹	Bell	Saunders
24	Gillingham	1-2	4,381	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Came	Deakin	Thompson	Chandler ¹	Oghani ⁺	Foster	Bell	Rudge
Dec. 1	Brentford	1-2	3,668	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce ¹	McElhinney	Came	Deakin	Chandler	Oghani	Foster	Bell	Rudge
15	Millwall	2-0	4,544	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Came	Deakin	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell ²	Bell	Rudge
22	Cambridge United	0-0	4,310	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce ⁺	McElhinney	Came	Deakin	Chandler	Foster	Caldwell	Bell	Oghani
26	Wigan Athletic	0-1	8,871	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Came	Valentine	Chandler	Foster ⁺	Caldwell	Bell	Oghani
29	Bradford City	1-2	6,255	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Came	Valentine	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell ¹	Bell ⁺	Rudge
1985 Jan. 1	Orient	0-0	4,710	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Came	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Rudge	Bell
12	Derby County	3-0	6,491	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Came	Deakin	Thompson	Chandler ² (¹ p)	Oghani	Caldwell ¹	Bell	Rudge
22	Crewe Alexandra (FRT1 1L)	3-2	2,345	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce ²	Came	Deakin	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell ¹ +	Bell	Rudge/Foster
Feb. 26	Rotherham United														
2	Doncaster Rovers														
5	Crewe Alexandra (FRT1 2L)														
9	Plymouth Argyle														
12	Walsall														
16	Swansea City (FA 5)														
23	Lincoln City														
Mar. 2	Burnley														
5	Bristol City														
9	Preston N.E. (FA 6)														
16	A.F.C. Bournemouth														
23	Reading														
24	Milk Cup Final														
29	York City														
Apr. 6	Wigan Athletic														
9	Orient														
13	Newport County (FA SF)														
20	Gillingham														
27	Brentford														
May 4	Millwall														
6	Bradford City														
11	Cambridge United														
18	FA Cup Final														

To be arranged
Bristol Rovers
Hull City



NEXT HOME MATCHES

Central League
OLDHAM ATHLETIC
Wednesday 30th January
Kick-off 7.00 p.m.

Canon League Division Three
DONCASTER ROVERS
Saturday 2nd February
Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

Home matches and goalscorers in **bold** type. + Player substituted. • Substitute used. ★ Own goal.

FACTS

CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

Up to and including Saturday 19th January 1985

	HOME		AWAY		GOALS		GOALS		Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	
Bradford City	24	9	2	1	21	8	18	11	52
Hull City	24	9	2	1	24	7	15	16	45
Gillingham	24	8	3	1	32	15	13	23	45
Rotherham United	24	7	4	1	24	14	12	8	44
Bristol Rovers	23	8	3	0	20	7	18	19	42
Millwall	22	9	2	0	23	7	16	20	39
Derby County	24	9	3	0	25	12	13	19	38
York City	24	7	3	2	26	12	17	22	37
Bristol City	23	8	2	1	23	12	13	18	36
AFC Bournemouth	25	9	2	2	21	8	5	12	36
Wigan Athletic	25	7	3	2	15	8	15	23	36
Reading	24	5	3	4	17	16	18	20	35
Doncaster Rovers	24	7	2	4	24	18	16	19	34
Walsall	22	3	6	2	13	10	15	16	32
Brentford	24	6	2	3	19	13	9	19	31
Newport County	24	7	2	3	18	12	9	19	29
Bolton Wanderers	24	8	3	2	25	8	13	27	27
Lincoln City	23	5	5	2	21	11	7	15	26
Plymouth Argyle	23	5	4	3	19	15	17	29	25
Burnley	23	3	4	5	15	15	15	25	22
Preston North End	24	4	4	5	20	26	10	31	22
Orient	24	4	1	6	17	24	9	20	21
Swansea City	24	3	1	7	13	21	13	28	18
Cambridge United	23	2	1	8	8	19	12	24	13

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CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES

Date	Opponents	Goals F A
1984		
Aug.	29 Rotherham United	4-0
Sept.	4 Leeds United	1-1
	12 Doncaster Rovers	2-3
	19 Oldham Athletic	0-2
	26 Hull City	2-1
Oct.	3 Middlesbrough	1-3
	10 Port Vale	0-2
	17 Grimsby Town	4-3
	24 Leicester City	0-2
	31 Preston North End	2-2
Nov.	8 Blackpool	4-0
	13 Wigan Athletic	1-4
	21 Scunthorpe United	0-1
	27 Burnley	2-0
Dec	5 York City	0-5
	12 Wolverhampton Wanderers	6-2
	19 Sunderland	0-1
1985		
Jan.	8 Rotherham United	P
	16 Leeds United	P
	23 Doncaster Rovers	
	30 Oldham Athletic	
Feb.	6 Middlesbrough	
	13 Hull City	
	20 Wigan Athletic	
	26 Blackpool	
Mar.	7 Preston North End	
	11 Leicester City	
	19 Grimsby Town	
	27 Port Vale	
Apr.	3 Scunthorpe United	
	10 Burnley	
	17 York City	
	23 Sunderland	
May	1 Wolverhampton Wanderers	



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M6 south to intersection 17, junction with A534
A534 to Crewe

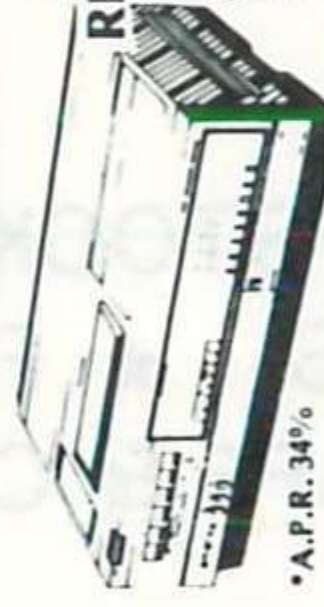
Entering Crewe on the A534 keep ahead through the
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AT PLYMOUTH ARGYLE

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A666/M61/M62 (follow 'Liverpool' signs) to
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M6 south then M5 (follow 'South West' signs) to end of
motorway at Exeter, junction with A38
A38 via Ashburton (by-pass), Buckfastleigh and
Ivybridge to Plymouth

Plymouth Argyle football ground is off Outland Road,
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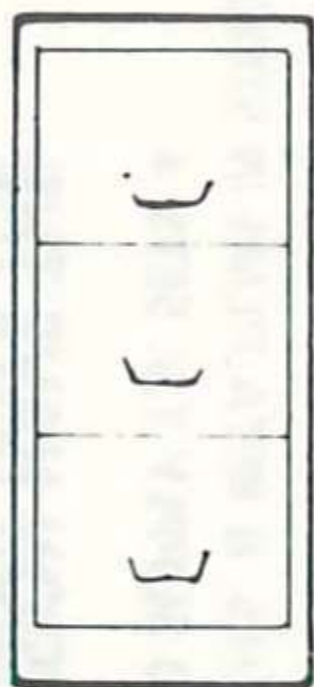
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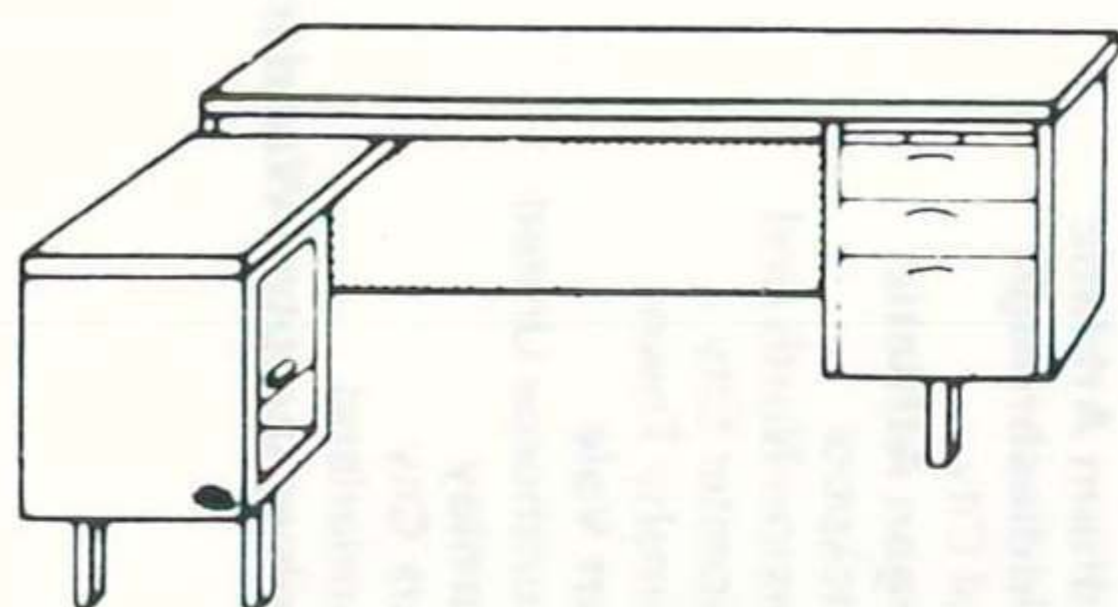
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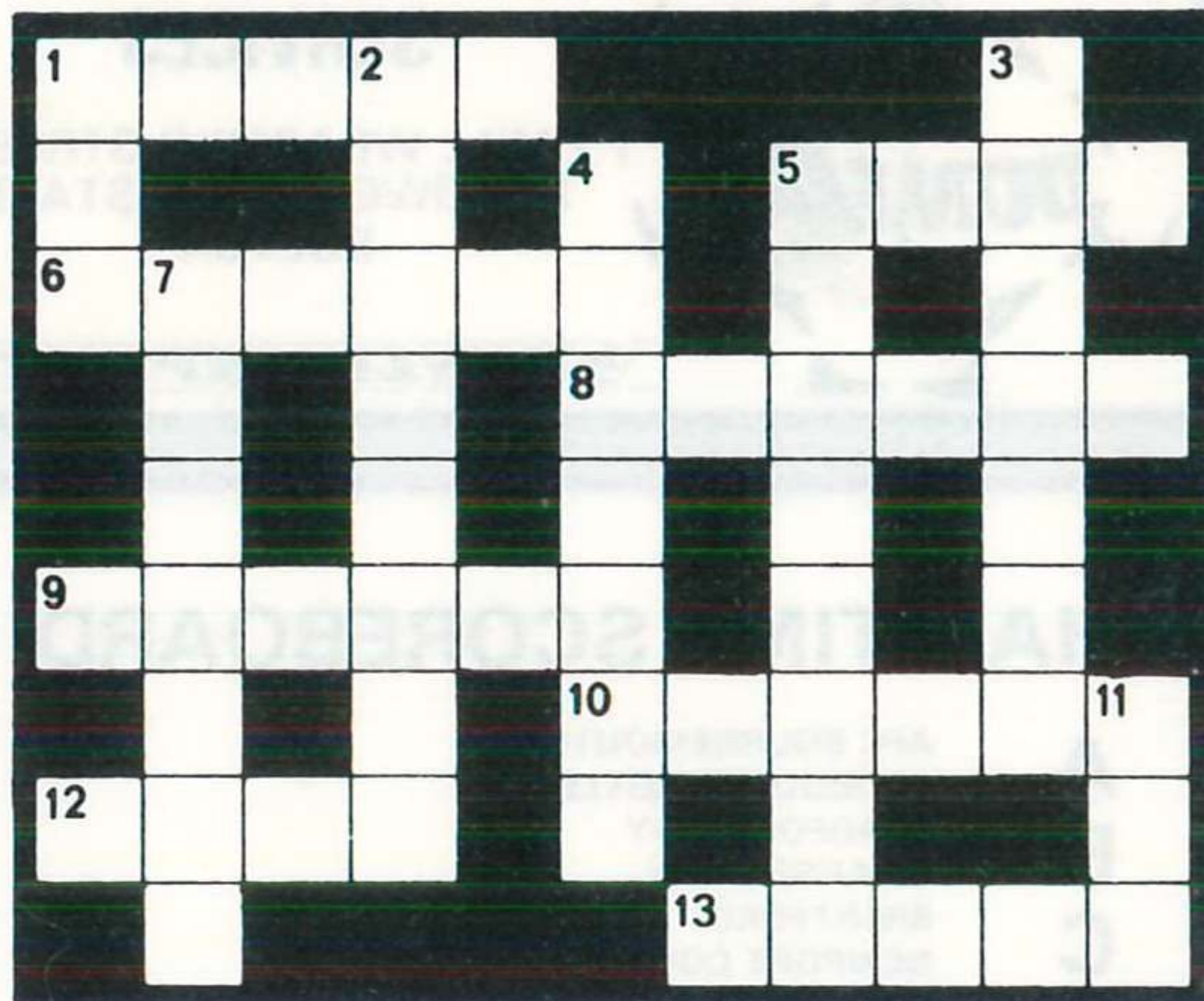
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CROSSWORD No. 16

ACROSS

- This Mal was of Wales but also of Orient, Norwich and Torquay (5)
- Walter — — — defended for Watford in around 200 matches in the early seventies (4)
- Brazilian club who became world champions by beating Hamburg in Tokyo in December 1983 (6)
- Shown the yellow card (6)
- One of soccer's Simons (6)
- George — — — was in and out of Everton's front line for most of the 1970s and was subsequently seen with Scunthorpe and Preston (6)
- Distribute the ball (4)
- & 4dn. An international half-back in his time — but as Wrexham's boss he had to play in goal in a 1983/84 Welsh Cup game (5,7)



DOWN

- Allan Simonsen broke his in 1984 (3)
- Players wear them as a mark of respect to a soccer personality who has just died (8)
- One such as Neville Ashley or George Tyson (7)
- See 13 across
- — — Luque, distinctive Argentina striker in the 1978 World Cup finals (8)
- Defender who represented Burnley 200 times before departing in 1981 for Peterborough and beyond (7)
- McDonough, maybe (3)

Answers to No. 15: **ACROSS:** 6. Bilbao, 7 & 3dn. Belo Horizonte, 8. Eric, 9. Impey, 11. Umbro, 12. fair, 14. Wood, 15. Tigers. **DOWN:** 1. Abbey, 2. Plainmoor, 3. See 7 across, 4. relegated, 10 & 5. press-box, 13. two.

QUICK QUIZ No. 16

- During the 1970s the USSR national team consisted of an entire club side — which club?
- What is the title of Clive Thomas's autobiography?
- Which club last scored 100 in a Third Division season?
- How many European countries can qualify for the 1986 World Cup finals?
- What are the *metric* dimensions of a goal?

Answers to No. 15

- Oxford United, 2. Qadhafi, 3. Grimsby, 4. Arsenal (31, 1950), 5. 100.

ANSWERS IN THE NEXT PROGRAMME

MIXED DOUBLES No. 16

Re-order the letters in each of the words

TROOP and LOITERS

to reveal two "PORTUGUESE CLUBS"

Answers to No. 15: FERNIE, AULD.

FITNESS TEST No. 16

Re-arrange all the letters of
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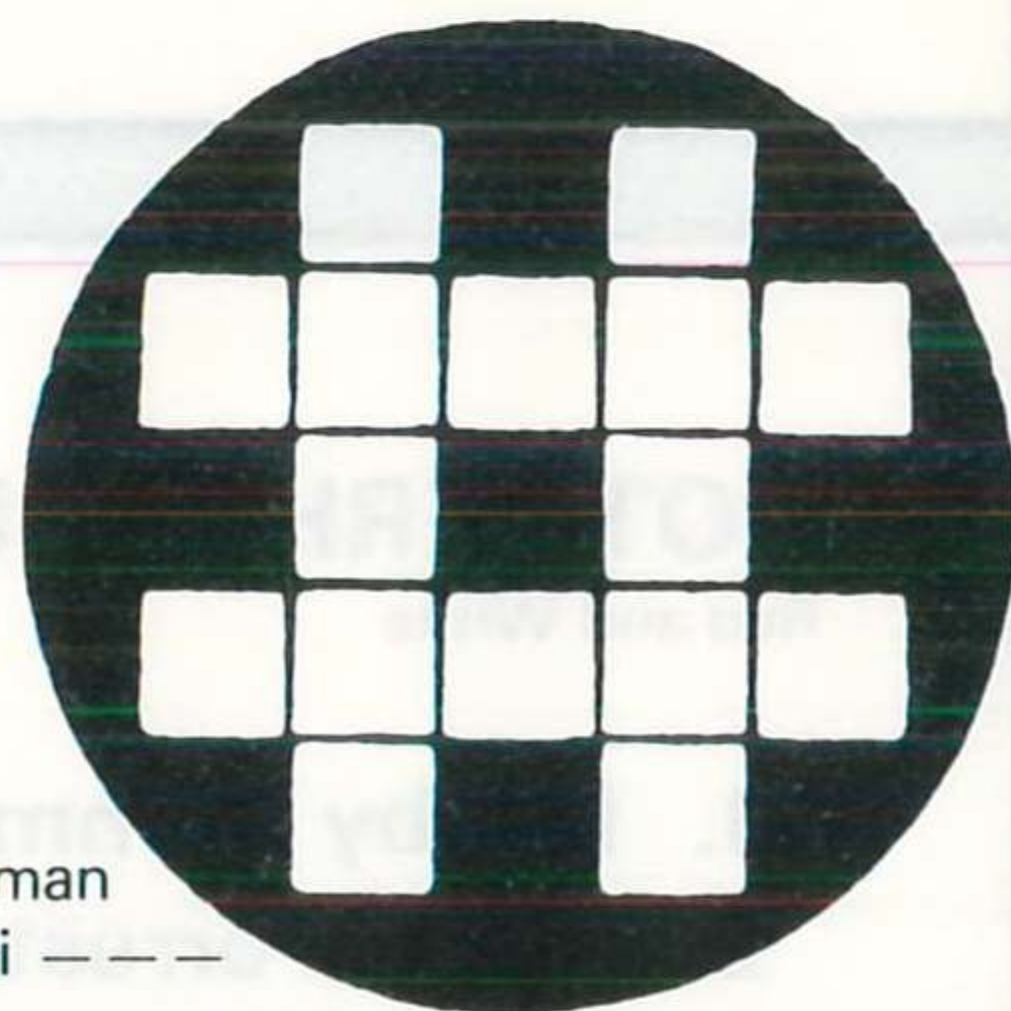
to create four four-letter
words that fit the edges of
the diamond.



Answers to No. 15
PAIL/LUNE, PUFF/FACE

ON THE BALL No. 16

Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.



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Answers to No. 15: CLIVE, BYRNE, LLOYD, EVANS.

Puzzle Page

Teams

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White and Navy Blue

1. Simon Farnworth
2. Brian Borrows
3. Jimmy Phillips
4. Warren Joyce
5. Mark Came
6. Ray Deakin
7. Steve Thompson
8. Jeff Chandler
9. George Oghani
10. Tony Caldwell
11. Graham Bell
- 12.

ROTHERHAM UNITED

Red and White

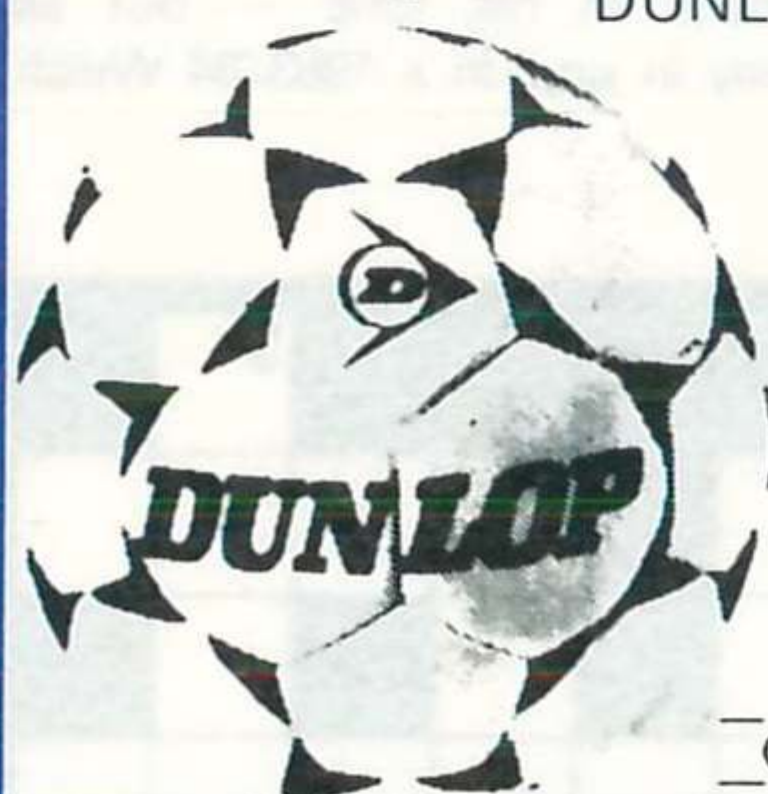
1. Bobby Mimms
2. Gerry Forrest
3. Bobby Mitchell
4. Mike Trusson
5. Nigel Johnson
6. Phil Crosby
7. Alan Birch
8. Mick Gooding
9. John Dungworth
10. Tony Simmons
11. Ian McInnes
- 12.

Today's Referee:
BOB NIXON
(Wirral, Merseyside)

Bank Manager with National Westminster Bank. Married with three children. Commenced refereeing in local Southport leagues in 1967 and progressed via the Mid-Cheshire and Northern Premier Leagues. Interested in cross country running and gardening. Referee 1979 F.A. County Youth Cup Final, 1982 Northern Premier League Final and linesman 1981 F.A. Cup Semi-Final and Northern Ireland v. Scotland in 1982.

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